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SUBJ: SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING ON NAMIBIA

1. SC PRESIDENT SALIM (TANZANIA) INTRODUCED WORKING PAPER (USUN 321) AT INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS AS A GROUP, MORNING JAN 29. ALTHOUGH UK, US, AND FRANCE INDICATED THEIR PREFERENCE FOR DELETION OF REFERENCES TO UN "CONTROL" OVER ELECTIONS, SALIM REPLIED THAT 95-0/0 OF WESTERN DESIDERATA HAD BEEN SATISFIED, AND "CONTROL" WAS NOT NEGOTIABLE. HE ASSURED MEMBERS, HOWEVER, THAT NEW PARAS SEVEN AND EIGHT HAD TO BE READ TOGETHER, AND THAT DRAFT WAS A STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE: IF IT IS ACCEPTED BY SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, MODALITIES CAN BE DISCUSSED LATER COVERING, AMONG OTHER MATTERS, ELECTIONS. JAPAN, SWEDEN, SOVIETS, AND ITALY SAID THEY WOULD SUPPORT DRAFT. CHINESE TOLD MISOFF THEY HAD NOT YET REVIEWED INSTRUCTIONS. IN REPLY TO JAPANESE
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SUGGESTION THAT THERE BE FUTURE CONTACT BETWEEN UN AND SAG

OVER NAMIBIA, SALIM REPLIED THAT NONE COULD BE MEANINGFUL UNTIL PRETORIA ACTS ON CURRENT DRAFT RESOLUTION. WHEN AND IF SAG DOES SO, SALIM SAID HE WOULD BE "PREPARED TO STUDY" MATTER.

2. LATER IN MORNING, AND PURSUANT TO DEPT'S INSTRUCTIONS, WE SOUGHT UK AND FRENCH ASSISTANCE IN MAKING ANOTHER EFFORT TO IMPROVE FURTHER LANGUAGE OF OP PARA 3. BRITISH AND FRENCH FELT IT STOOD ABSOLUTELY NO CHANCE AT THIS STAGE. THEY REMINDED US OF PREVIOUS EFFORTS, AND EXPRESSED HOPE WE WOULD NOT REOPEN QUESTION, WHICH IN THEIR VIEW WOULD RISK JEOPARDIZING THE CURRENT AGREEMENT OVER A TEXT WHICH WAS BETTER THAN THEY HAD HOPED FOR.

3. MORNING SPEAKERS IN SC DEBATE WERE: USSR, FRANCE, BENIN, KUWAIT, PAKISTAN, AND US. US STATEMENT (TEXT BY SEPTTEL) PROMPTED REPLY FROM BAROODY (SAUDI ARABIA). AFTERNOON SPEAKERS WERE: NIGERIA (FOREIGN MINISTER GARBA), PANAMA (PERM REP BOYD DELIVERED TOUGH REMARKS CONCERNING PANAMA CANAL), ITALY, GUYANA, LIBYA, SWEDEN, KENYA, JORDAN, TUNISIA, BANGLADESH, BURUNDI AND INDIA. SUMMARY OF STATEMENTS BY SEPTTEL. DRAFT RES (SEPTTEL) WAS INTRODUCED BY GUYANA. SWEDEN HAS BECOME CO-SPONSOR. VOTING WILL BE HELD AFTER-NOON JAN 30, FOLLOWING STATEMENTS BY CUBA, JAMAICA, MALI, AND TANZANIA.
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